

# City Manager's Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA

May 28, 2021

# Last Call! Deadline Today for HB Non-Profits to Apply for COVID-19 Micro Grants



The application period closes today, **Friday, May 28 at 5 p.m.** for the City's COVID-19 Micro-Grant Program for non-profit businesses in HB.

Eligible non-profits can apply for \$10K grants that can be used towards rent, utilities, and COVID-related personal protective equipment. All applicants must meet the eligibility requirements that are listed on www.hbready.com/biz-grants.

For questions, please email us at bizgrants@surfcity-hb.org or call the National Development Council (NDC) at (714) 374-5329. The NDC is partnering with the City to administer this grant.

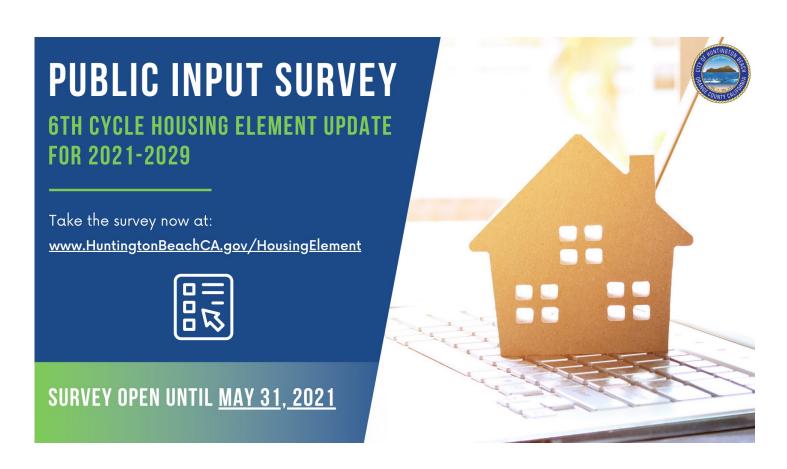
Reminder: City Council meetings will move to the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, starting June 1. (More on page 3)

# Housing Element Public Survey Due Monday, May 31

Take a survey about your experience securing housing in HB and your vision for what our housing stock should look like in the future! Share your input using this anonymous survey (in English and Spanish) at <a href="https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/housingelement">www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/housingelement</a>.

Your input will be used to update our 2021-2029 Housing Element, which establishes housing goals, policies, and programs to accommodate the City's current housing needs and guide housing growth through 2029.

This is a critically important document that will help ensure the City's ability to accommodate current need and future growth. So please consider participating today!



# **City Council Meetings Moving to Tuesdays Starting June 1**



Starting Tuesday, June 1, City Council and Boards/Commission meetings will reopen for public attendance with the following safety guidelines:

- Per state regulations, in-person public attendance will be capped at 50 during Yellow Tier.
- Attendees must wear a mask; be fully vaccinated; or provide a negative PCR test within 48 hours or a negative antigen test same day.

The City will continue to offer a virtual meeting option for those who wish to attend remotely.

More changes are anticipated after 6/15 - when the state reopens. We will keep you updated when that information becomes available.

# **Orange County Transitions to Yellow Tier**

#### **COVID-19 UPDATE: ORANGE COUNTY IN YELLOW TIER** Amusement parks 35% cap; indoor 25% cap with restrictions All retail and Shopping Centers Indoors with modifications Personal care (hair/nail salons) Indoors with modifications Indoors with modifications Museums, zoos, aquariums Indoors, 50% cap Restaurants Indoors 50% cap (75% if all guests are vaccinated) Family entertainment centers Indoors with modifications, 50% cap Breweries, wineries, distilleries Indoors, 50% cap or 200 people, whichever is fewer Offices Indoors with modifications; telework encouraged. Indoors, 25% cap or 100 people, whichever is fewer Places of Worship; Movies Indoors with modifications, 50% cap Hotels and lodging Open with modifications ORANGE Outdoor high-contact & indoor low-contact sports COUNTY **Recreational Sports** Social, Informal Gatherings Indoors: Strongly discouraged, max 50% capacity For details, Outdoors: Max of 100 people visit www.HBReady.com/reopen 1

Last week, Orange County announced we are now in the YELLOW TIER of the California's Blueprint for a Safer Economy - a systematic plan to reopen the economy safely and gradually during the pandemic. Most indoor business operations can open with modifications! For the full list of guidelines, visit <a href="mailto:covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy">covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy</a>.

# **Memorial Day 2021**



## **American Legion Post 133 to Host Memorial Day Event**



The Huntington Beach American Legion Post 133 will host a small Memorial Day recognition event at the Civic Center on Monday, May 31 at 11 a.m. Post 133 and the City's public safety departments will be represented, along with comments from special guest speakers.

# Magnolia Street Bridge Opens as Part of I-405 Improvements



The Magnolia Street bridge over I-405 reopened on Saturday, May 22, marking another major milestone for the I-405 Improvement Project, which is now more than halfway finished.

The Magnolia Street bridge is the fifth to open among 18 being built, widened or replaced as part of the project, but it's the first to open that was reconstructed one half at a time. This allowed Magnolia Street, which straddles Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley and Westminster, to remain open to traffic during construction, minimizing impacts.

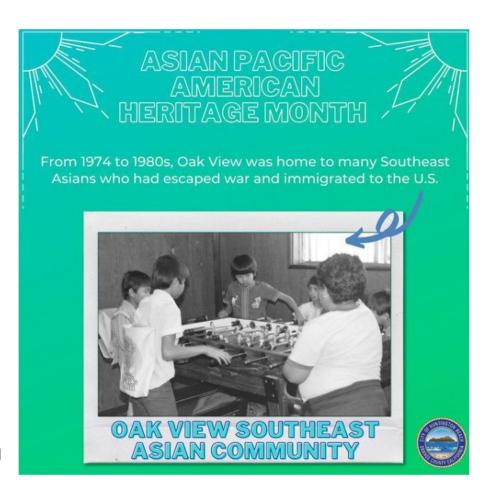
The first half of the Magnolia Street bridge was demolished in late 2018 and opened to traffic in spring 2020, after which work began on the second half. The new bridge is wider than the old one, with six traffic lanes instead of four, and sidewalks and bike lanes on both sides of the street.

More information about the bridge is part of a video commemorating its opening, available at <a href="https://youtu.be/Afr9aAOWPtk">https://youtu.be/Afr9aAOWPtk</a> For more information, visit <a href="https://www.octa.net/405improvement">www.octa.net/405improvement</a>

#### **HB Celebrates Asian American Pacific Islander Month**

It's Asian American Pacific
American Heritage Month! Today,
the Oak View neighborhood of HB
is largely recognized as home to a
vibrant Latin/x community. But,
from 1974 until the end of the
1980s, it was also home to many
Southeast Asians who had escaped
war and immigrated to the U.S.

In 1975, the first wave of refugees arrived to the U.S. followed by a second wave a few years later. In all, 125,000 Southeast Asian immigrants arrived in California and were initially housed in a tent city refugee center at Camp Pendleton. Following their release, 50,000 made their way to Orange County including 5,500 who settled in Huntington Beach.



Many made their homes in the welcoming Oak View community, and names like "Nguyen" and "Pham" increasingly appeared among those like "Lopez" and "Sotero." Children from these diverse heritages attended the local Oak View Elementary School together and enjoyed the opportunities and recreation the nearby park and newly built Oak View Community Center provided. Everyone came together to participate in a host of activities, and Gary Magill, then a recreation leader, recalled "the community felt like family."

For 15 years, Oak View was their home – a place to learn and grow. However, by 1989, Southeast Asians comprised just 20 percent of the community, and by the 90's, many had spread out across the County. Today, there are nearly 360,000 Asian or Pacific Islanders living in Orange County and 25,000 in Huntington Beach.

# The Mayor's Corner - By Kim Carr

# **Chamber's AM Connect Meeting Discusses Diversity in HB**



The City welcomed nearly 50 Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce members on May 14. Mayor Kim Carr, Councilmember Natalie Moser, and Chair of Human Relations Task Force Vashia Rhone discussed programs and policies HB is implementing regarding diversity, inclusion and equity. They also shared how the City is making the community a welcoming environment for business owners and residents alike.

# Pride Flag Raised at City Hall on Saturday, May 22



In keeping with the City Council's commitment to create an inclusive and welcoming community, the City declared June as LGBTQ Pride Month. Raising the Pride Flag is widely recognized as a symbol of love, unity and acceptance. If we as a City can espouse greater acceptance and prevent hate crimes through this simple act of solidarity, then it will have been a worthwhile effort for the City.

Not only will we fly the Pride flag at City Hall, but we will have Pride flags waving at our Senior Center in Central Park, Central Library and at our Pier.

The City raised the Pride flag in honor of Harvey Milk who was assassinated at the age of 48. Today, more than 40 years after his death, Milk is remembered as an early political activist for the LGBTQ+ community. As the first openly gay person to be elected to public office in California, Milk has impacted generations with his vision for a more inclusive future.

# PIER CONCESSION OPPORTUNITY

21 Main Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92648



#### REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS



#### SURF CITY HIGHLIGHTS

The Huntington Beach Pier is one of the most recognizable landmarks on the west coast. As the most photographed pier in the world, the Huntington Beach Pier is an attractive destination for tourists, residents, film shoots, and special events. The Pier serves as a central point to several major annual events including the US Open of Surfing and the Great Pacific Air Show. Additionally, as the longest pier on the west coast, the Huntington Beach Pier sees a constant flow of tourists, fishermen, diners, shoppers, and surfers eager to enjoy the authentic experience that is Huntington Beach.



- 5% more than the County
- 25% more than the State
- 47% more than the Nation

#### **\$736.4 MILLION**

Total economic impact generated by tourism

#### 200,748 TOTAL POPULATION









HOTEL OCCUPANCY 2018 2017 2016 2015 4.3% 74.1% 74.4% 76.2% DAILY AVERAGE RATE 2018 2017 2016 2015 \$233 \$225 \$215 \$207

# **Public Works Coloring Contest**

Bust out those crayons, because we're hosting a virtual coloring contest during National Public Works Week! We recognize the Public Works employees who build and maintain our beautiful communities! From street maintenance to the pipes that deliver clean water to your homes, Public Works makes daily conveniences oh-so-possible.

This year, HB Public Works is excited to host an #NPWW #StrongerTogether coloring contest for residents of all ages! Simply print out and color the coloring page in the link below or on the next page, and email a scan/photo of it to Gretchen.Erickson@surfcity-hb.org by Monday, May 31, at 5 p.m.

#### http://ow.ly/7FfN50EQRog

Three lucky entrants will be selected randomly to receive a fun HB Public Works Swag Bag!



# **Police Department**

#### **Lost and Found at HBPD**

Missing something? A list of items found or turned in to the Police Department is available on our website & updated on a monthly basis. Property will be held for 90 days.

If you have a reason to believe that our department has an item that belongs to you, please call the Property & Evidence Unit at 714-536-5944. They will schedule an appointment for you to identify the item and a time for you to pick it up.

<u>City of Huntington Beach, CA - Property Unit Found Items</u> (huntingtonbeachca.gov)



# **Safety Tips for ATM Use**

Using an ATM machine can be an easy and convenient tool to withdraw money instantly. However, using an ATM machine can also compromise the safety and security of your debit card information.

With an increasing number of debit and credit card theft/fraud incidents, it is imperative that you are taking precautionary measures to keep your information safe.

#### SAFETY TIPS FOR ATM USE









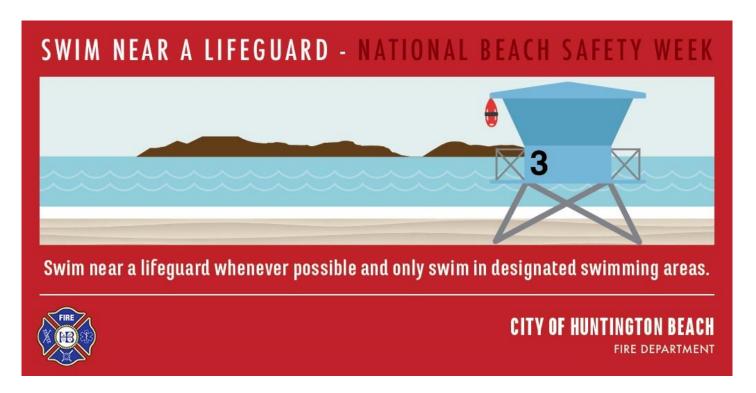
- 1. AVOID INSERTING YOUR CARD INTO THE ATM
- 2. USE RFID CHIP ON CARD TO TAP (IF AVAILABLE)
- 3. USE APPLE/GOOGLE PAY ON SMARTPHONE TO TAP (ADD BANK ACCOUNT)
- 4. COVER PIN PAD WHEN ENTERING PIN #
- 5. WIGGLE CARD SLOT TO CHECK FOR SKIMMER
- 6. EXAMINE PIN PAD FOR LARGER KEYS AND UNUSUAL THICKNESS
- 7. LOOK AROUND FOR HIDDEN CAMERAS (CHECK FOR PINHOLES & PULL ON UNUSUAL PIECES)

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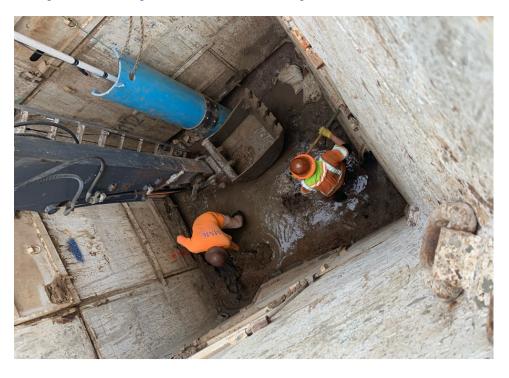
# **Fire Department**



Each year, as summer begins, the Huntington Beach Fire Department Marine Safety Division sponsors National Beach Safety Week in an effort to encourage beachgoers to enjoy the beach, while taking appropriate measures to protect themselves and their children. National Beach Safety Week begins the Monday before Memorial Day and ends seven days later on Memorial Day. Throughout the week, the HBFD will be sharing important information to educate and inform the public of beach hazards and how to stay beach safe!

Follow the Huntington Fire Department's social media accounts to learn more about beach safety.

# **Capital Improvement Updates**



#### **Saybrook Sewer Lift Station**

The excavation for the new lift station manhole is under way. The contractor is progressing towards forming the new sewer manhole at the excavation, and is installing a sewer bypass line that will facilitate the installation of the manhole and lift station wet well and valve vaults. The bypass will allow for uninterrupted sewer service for the surrounding community. This project is scheduled to be completed winter 2021.



#### **Zone-3 ADA Curb Ramps**

A total of 238 new ADA-compliant curb ramps have been successfully installed. This project is now complete and will allow for the residential asphalt overlay project to begin in this City zone.

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Arterial Rehabilitation Project – Newland, Brookhurst, Garfield, Atlanta

All of the concrete work has been completed on all four segments. The contractor just completed paving Newland and Brookhurst streets, and will follow-up with raising manholes to grade and final striping. This project will be under construction through the summer 2021.

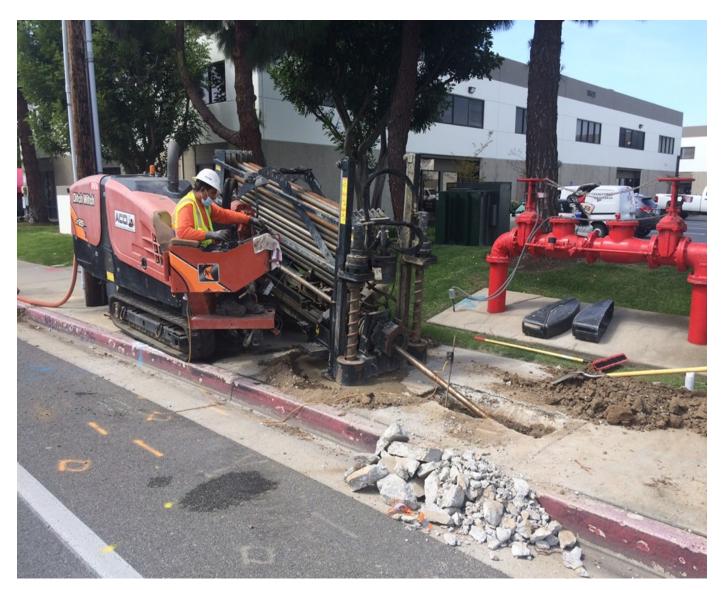


#### **Slater Sewer Lift Station**

Construction has continued progressing with building the structure in the wet well. Reinforcement bar has been placed and the concrete the walls will soon be poured. The building of the structure will continue for several weeks.

In addition, the contractor is excavating for the new sewer lines that will lead to the new sewer lift station.

# **Capital Improvement Updates**



**Fiber Optic Installations** 

The contractor has completed the boring operation for the fiber conduit installation. The next phase of the project will be to pull the fiber optic cable through newly installed conduit. The project is anticipated to be completed this summer.

# Submit Photos of your Favorite HB Memories for Display at the Huntington Beach Art Center this Summer!

Huntington Beach High School students Carter and Jonathan have created the Photo Mosaic Unity Project to be displayed at the Huntington Beach Art Center this summer, and they need your help! The students say, "We want to create unity, bring people together and encourage them along their journey! We love our community and we want to do everything we can to help it, support it, and make it stronger."

Submit your favorite photos of Huntington Beach to <a href="www.konquertogether.org">www.konquertogether.org</a>. The photographs will be digitally stitched together to create one cohesive image of our world famous pier. Then visit the Huntington Beach Art Center this summer to see the finished banner!

# YOUR PHOTOS AT THE HUNTINGTON BEACH ART CENTER

# **Photo Mosaic Unity Project**



konquertogether.org submissions end 5/31/2020 on display June-August

# **Library Services News**



Great news! Starting on **Tuesday, June 1, the Central Library** will move into the next phase of post-Covid reopening – including extended hours and services! To prepare for these changes, the Central Library will be closed over Memorial Day weekend, Friday, May 28 to Monday, May 31. Extended hours will include Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., as well as Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. Seating will be available on the main floor, reading decks and upper levels, offering patrons the opportunity to read, relax and study for a longer period of time. Library users must continue to wear a face mask while in the building, as well as maintain social distance of six-feet from other people. <u>Click here</u> to read about the changes coming to the Huntington Beach Central Library!

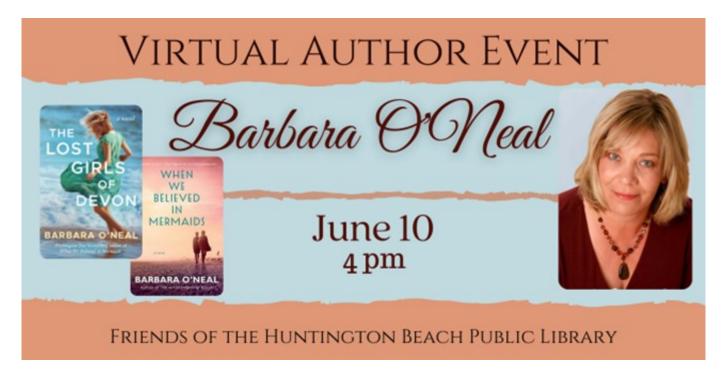
# Friends of the Library



The Used Book Sales area at the Central Library will continue to be open on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. In addition, book donations are now being accepted on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday and Saturday of the month from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.! Drop off is in front of the library theater entrance. Click here for details:

https://www.fotlhb.com/used-books.html.

# **Friends of the Library Event**



Join the Friends of the Huntington Beach Public Library on Thursday, June 10, 2021 at 4 p.m. for a live Zoom talk with Amazon best-selling novelist Barbara O'Neal. Barbara will be discussing her critically acclaimed romance novels, When We Believed in Mermaids, The Lost Girls of Devon, and Write My Name Across the Sky.

This engaging storyteller has developed terrific characters in "keep-them-guessing" blends of mystery, art and romance. Click here to register for this event at <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/virtual-author-event-with-barbara-oneal-tickets-152231655981">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/virtual-author-event-with-barbara-oneal-tickets-152231655981</a>.

# **Youth Services Department – Children's Events**



At long last, the Summer Reading Challenge is starting this month on Saturday, June 19! The theme this year is "Reading Colors Your World." Children of all ages can sign up for the program online using Beanstack. Participation in the Summer Reading Challenge includes reading 20 minutes every day and then recording it either online or on a paper reading log, which is available either online or at any HBPL branch. Complete the challenge by July 31 to receive a free book and a challenge winner button, featuring artwork from Oliver Jeffers and Herve Tullet!

In addition to reading, participants can also enjoy a variety of at-home activities, such as "Creativity Corner" art projects, as well as activity kits available for pickup at the library. The program runs until July 31. Go to <a href="https://hbpl.libguides.com/kids/SummerReading">https://hbpl.libguides.com/kids/SummerReading</a> to register. To visit the Library Calendar, and sign up for events, go to <a href="https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/library/events">https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/library/events</a> news/.

## **Youth Services Department – Teen News**



Know a teen who only wants the latest and the greatest books to read? The Huntington Beach Library's **Teen Center** has the solution! Each month, teen librarian Christany posts a list with the newest titles in Fiction, Graphic Novels and Nonfiction on the Teen Space's "Digital Browsing Shelves." Click here https://hbpl.libguides.com/teens/digital to see what's new.

# **Adult Services Department Programs**



The Huntington Beach Literacy Department is proud to promote the ProLiteracy Program, which advocates for adult literacy initiative on behalf of a member network. ProLiteracy provides a strong collective voice to increase awareness of adult literacy challenges, influence public policy, and create change. By providing evidence of the challenges faced by adults around the world, ProLiteracy aims to amplify their courageous voices and build a global community dedicated to ending illiteracy and supporting positive changes for these adults. Advocacy includes providing a toolkit to all members, sending out action alerts and publicity, and participation with the National Coalition for Literacy. Click here for more information <a href="https://www.proliteracy.org/">https://www.proliteracy.org/</a>

# **Central Library Makerspace News**



Reminder – now that the Central Library is expanding its hours and services, the Huntington Beach Makerspace will begin scheduling appointments online starting in June! The Makerspace will be open for one-hour appointments on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 2 p.m. — 6 p.m. and Saturday between 10 a.m. — 2 p.m. Come check out all the fun tech that's available, including the Cricut machine and 3D printer, by clicking here <a href="https://hbpl.libguides.com/makerspace">https://hbpl.libguides.com/makerspace</a>. To make an appointment, please check the Makerspace's library web page after June 1, 2021.





# Ready to get a start on Summer?

With FIRST BANK as our title sponsor, we are excited to announce the

#### 29th Annual ON COURSE Golf Tournament!

When: June 25, 2021

Where: Meadowlark Golf Course

Registration & Putting Contest: 10:30 a.m.

Delicious Boxed Lunch: 11 a.m. Shotgun start: 12:00 p.m.

Reception after Tournament following health guidelines

Enjoy On Course Games & Vendors with Opportunities to Win Prizes.

Your participation helps us continue to provide:

- Access to critical items such as meals and supplies
- · Care Management
- · Transportation Services
- · "Senior Center in a Box" drive thru programs
- · Outdoor drive-in concerts
- Special Holiday events
- Help to Seniors for COVID-19 vaccination appointments

We couldn't provide this without your support so register to be a sponsor or player at

www.hbcoa.org/golf

Questions? Contact info@hbcoa.org or (714) 330-3069



29th Annual ON COURSE
Golf Tournament

Friday, June 25, 2021 Meadowlark Golf Course in Huntington Beach

# **CALLING ALL**

**ORANGE COUNTY DISTRICT 2** 

**VIRTUAL JOB FAIR 2021** 

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2021** 

10AM - 2PM

Looking to Hire more Qualified Talent?

- Safely Network with Multiple Job Seekers Remotely through an Online Platform!
- Review Resumes and conduct Interviews via Live Chat and Video Conferencing!
- Set up "Virtual Booths" to simulate an In-Person Experience!

Complimentary Participation for All Employers!

Includes FREE Registration & Preparation Training!

For more information visit:

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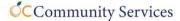












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City Attorney	(714) 536-5555
City Clerk	(714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 374-1600
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5202
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Business Development	(714) 536-5582
Finance Department	(714) 536-5630
Business Licenses	(714) 536-5267
Fire Department	(714) 536-5411
Human Resources	(714) 536-5492
Information Services	(714) 536-5515
Library Services	(714) 842-4481
Community Development	(714) 536-5271
Code Enforcement	(714) 375-5155
Police Department	(714) 960-8811
Public Works	(714) 536-5431
Graffiti Removal	(714) 960-8861
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